

REMARKS

The Final Office Action mailed November 30, 2004 has been received and carefully reviewed. Claims 105 and 129 have been amended and claims 110 and 128 have been canceled. Claims 70-109, 111-127 and 129-147 are pending in the application.

In paragraph 2 on page 2 of the Office Action, claims 1-69 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Haaland (U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2002/0059047) in view of Obremski (U.S. Patent No. 5,498,875) and in further view of Gupta (U.S. Patent No. 5,319,586).

Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection. However, to present the claims for appeal, Applicants have combined claim 105 with 110 and claim 128 with 129. Claims 105 and 129 have been amended and claims 110 and 128 have been canceled. The amendment removes claims 110 and 128 from appeal.

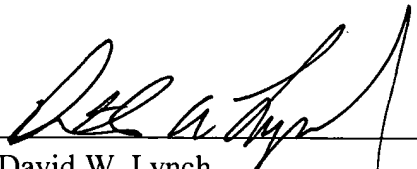
Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance.

On the basis of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration of this application and its allowance are requested.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Attorney for Applicant, David W. Lynch, at 651-686-6633 Ext. 116.

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